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AFRICAN NUCLEAR PROGRAM

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1. SOVIET MEDIA CRITICISM OF ALLEGED WESTERN AND U.S.
SUPPORT FOR S. AFRICAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT CON-
TINUES IN AUG. 15 PRAVDA "COMMENTATOR'S COLUMN" BY
FEDOR TARASOV. AUTHOR CHARGES THAT SCIENTIFIC CENTER AT
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PALINDABA-ZERO WAS "DESIGNED IN U.S. AND PART OF EQUIPMENT
IN IT IS OF AMERICAN ORIGIN." USA, SAYS TARASOV, SELLS
S. AFRICA ENRICHED URANIUM FORM WHICH NUCLEAR BOMBS ARE
MADE.

2. TARASOV ALSO STATES THAT NUCLEAR INSTALLATION
AT WALINDABA USES A PROCESS DEVELOPED IN FRG. PRO-

FESSOR ERWIN BECKER FROM KARLSRUHE IS CITED ON "FREE ACCESS" WHICH S. AFRICAN NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS HAD TO LABORATORY AT WALINDAHA.

3. COMMENT: INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT TASS ENGLISH COVERAGE OF TARASOV ARTICLE COMPLETELY OMITTS THESE AND OTHER SPECIFIC REFERENCES TO U.S. AND FRG NUCLEAR ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH AFRICA.
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